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BLM Seeking Nominations for Areas of Environmental Concern

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Carson City District as part of the revision of its existing Resource Management Plans (RMP) is seeking nominations for Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs). Nominations will be accepted until July 1, 2012. There are currently six designated ACECs within the Carson City District: Incandescent Rock, Steamboat Hot Springs, Stewart Valley, Carson Wandering Skipper, Pah Rah Basin Petroglyph District, and Virginia Range Williams Combleaf Habitat.

ACEC designations highlight areas where special management attention is needed to protect, and prevent irreparable damage to important historical, cultural, and scenic values, fish, or wildlife resources or other natural systems or processes; or to protect human life and safety from natural hazards.

If you are interested in nominating areas in the Carson City District as an ACEC, we ask that you provide as much information as possible along with your nomination. The following information will help our interdisciplinary team evaluate the nominations:

- Name and location of nominated area (legal land description, if possible)
- Map of nominated ACEC area with well-defined boundaries
- Reason or basis for nomination
- Any reference material or web addresses where we can obtain additional information or data about the area that you are nominating

The nomination form and additional information is available online at http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/carson_city_field.html. Please submit the form to BLM_NV_CCDO_RMP@blm.gov or by mail to BLM, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701.

The revised comprehensive RMP and associated Environmental Impact Statement will guide management of BLM administered public land (surface lands and federal minerals) within the Carson City District for the next fifteen to twenty years.

If you have questions on this matter, please contact Colleen Sievers, Project Manager, at: csievers@blm.gov or by phone at: (775) 885-6000.